GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
CIVIL AVIATION
LOK SABHA

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MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN IAF AND PHHL
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Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether in view of the increasing demand of Helicopter pilots any Memorandum of Understanding has been signed between Indian Air Force and Pawan Hans Helicopters Ltd. (PHHL);

(b) if so, whether the Indian Air Force pilots who are on the verge of their retirement will be allowed to fly the planes of PHHL under the said MoU;

(c) if so, the details thereof alongwith the salient features of the MoU;and

(d) the time by which the above MoU will be made effective?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) OF THE MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION(SHRI PRAFUL PATEL)

(a):- Yes,Sir.Pawan Hans Helicopters Limited (PHHL) has signed an Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with Indian Air Force(IAF) on 15.02.2008 for inducting IAF pilots into its stream on mutually agreed terms and conditions.

(b) and (c):- Pursuant to the MoU,IAF will provide suitable pilots who can be spared as per the qualifying requirements in order to meet in part the vacancies created due to fleet expansion plan o f PHHL.Such arrangement will promote mutual benefits to both the organisations.The IAF pilots will get opportunity for growth and longer,fruitful,second career upto 65 years of age.Similarly,PHHL will also be benefitted by augmenting their strength of qualified pilots.

(d):- MoU has already been signed on 15.02.2008.